State of South Dakota

SEVENTY-EIGHTH SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2003

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SENATE BILL NO. 126

Introduced by: Senator Olson (Ed)

1	FOR AN	ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain provisions related to the general occupancy
2	tax.	
3	BE IT EN	NACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
4	Section 1. That § 9-55-7 be amended to read as follows:	
5	9-55-7. Upon receiving a recommendation from the business improvement board, the	
6	governing body may create one or more business improvement districts by adopting a resolution	
7	of intent t	o establish a district or districts. The resolution shall contain the following information:
8	(1)	A description of the boundaries of any proposed district;
9	(2)	The time and place of a hearing to be held by the governing body to consider
10		establishment of a district or districts;
11	(3)	The proposed public facilities and improvements to be made or maintained within any
12		such district; and
13	(4)	The proposed or estimated costs for improvements, facilities, and activities within any
14		district; and the method by which the revenue shall be raised. If a special assessment
15		is proposed, the resolution also shall state the proposed method of assessment.
16	The n	otice of intent shall recite that the method of raising revenue shall be fair and equitable.



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- 1 In the use of a general occupation tax, the tax shall be based primarily on the square footage of
- 2 the owner's and user's place of business. However, if the public improvement consists of
- 3 <u>convention facilities, the general occupation tax may be a transient occupancy tax on rented hotel</u>
- 4 and motel rooms and units offered and let for overnight occupancies of less than thirty
- 5 continuous calendar days, which tax may not exceed two dollars per occupied room per night.
- 6 In the use of a special assessment, the assessment shall be based upon the special benefit to the
- 7 property within the district.